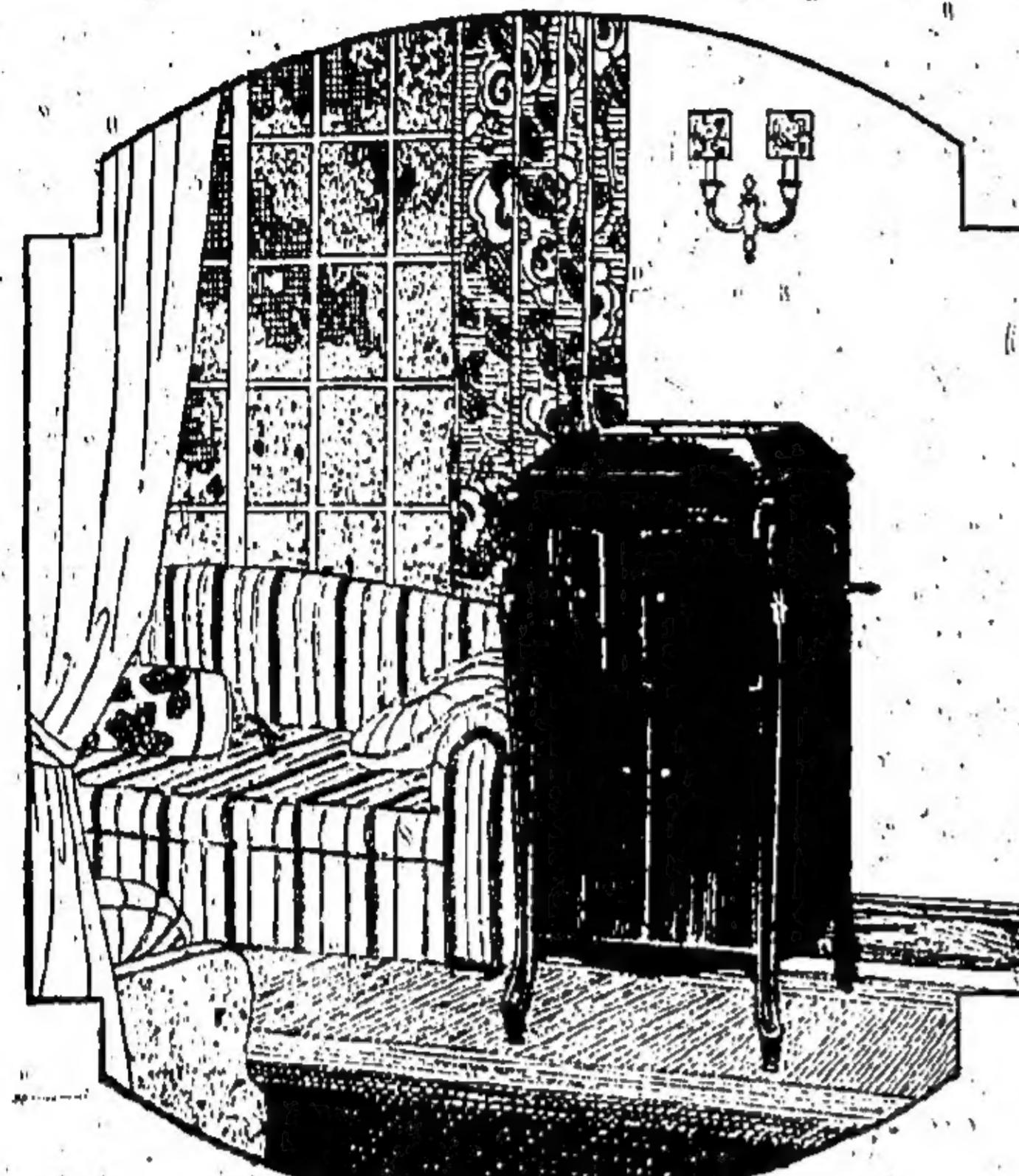


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PARIS, July 20.

The swimming and lawn tennis events at the Olympiad to-day were a series of American victories. They carried off the two tennis finals.

Miss Helen Wills outplayed Mlle. Vlasto throughout, though the latter was very "game."

Richards had to produce all he knew in order to overwhelm Cochet, who played most tenaciously. Both were brilliant but Richards ran away at the finish. In the swimming events, the Americans swept the board. Results follow:

In the final of the men's tennis singles, Richards (U.S.A.) defeated Cochet (France) by 6-4, 6-4, 5-7, 4-6, 6-3.



HELEN WILLS

In the final of the ladies' singles, Miss Helen Wills (U.S.A.) beat Mlle. Vlasto (France) in two straight sets, the score being 6-2, 6-2.

Miss McKane (Britain) secured third place by defeating Madame Golding (France) by 5-7, 6-3, 6-0 in the play-off between the beaten semi-finalists.

In the semi-final of the mixed doubles, Richards and Mrs. Jessup (U.S.A.) beat Timmerman and Miss Bouman (Holland) by 6-3, 6-0.

Williams and Mrs. Wightman (U.S.A.) defeated Gilbert and Miss McKane (Britain) by 2-6, 8-6, 6-1.

SWIMMING RESULTS.

In the 100 metres final, the result was:

Weismuller (U.S.A.) 1
Duke, Kahanamoku (U.S.A.) 2
Sam Kahanamoku (U.S.A.) 3
Arne Borg (Sweden) 4

Time 59 sec., an Olympic record.

The high fancy diving (final) resulted:

With (U.S.A.) 1
Fall (U.S.A.) 2
Pinkston (U.S.A.) 3

The final of the 100 metres (free style) for ladies resulted as follows:

Miss Luckie (U.S.A.) 1
Miss Wehselau (U.S.A.) 2
Miss Ederle (U.S.A.) 3

Time 1 min., 12 2/5 sec.

The final of the 100 metres backstroke for ladies resulted in another American victory:

Miss Bauer (U.S.A.) 1
Miss Harding (U.S.A.) 2
Miss Rigging (U.S.A.) 3

Time 1 min., 23 1/5 sec. This is a world's record.

The result of the final of the high plain diving for ladies again saw the Americans to the fore:

Miss Smith (U.S.A.) 1
Miss Becker (U.S.A.) 2
Miss Stoepl (Sweden) 3

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. Ho Kom-tong, from Hongkong, was present at the St. John Ambulance Brigade inspection at Hyde Park on June 14.

The King has granted authority for the wearing of the insignia of the following decoration:—Order of the Excellent Crop, Fourth Class.—Mr. James Lockhart.

Dame Laura Abbie Alabaster, of Boscombe, Hants, widow of Sir Chaloner Alabaster, K.C.M.G., Consul-General, China, left estate of the gross value of £6,134.

Among arrivals in Shanghai on the P. & O. str. "Devania" were Capt. R. G. Sturges, R. M., who will join the fleet at Weihaiwei; Eng. Comdr. P. F. Withey, R.N., posted to H.M.S. "Titania," and Midshipman Podger, Stephenson, Hunt, Forquhar, Shaw, Bradbury, Byrnes, Taylor, Williamson, Main, and Matheson, who will join the fleet at Weihaiwei.

The band of the 1st Battalion of the East Surrey Regiment gave a successful entertainment to the Mounted Infantry Company of the Volunteer Defence Corps and their friends at the Volunteer Headquarters on Friday night. The lawn was decorated with lights and flags and the guests were seated at tables on the ground.

LONDON CONFERENCE.

PROCEEDINGS RUN SMOOTHLY.

BRIGHT PROSPECT FOR SETTLEMENT.

WILL GERMANY CONSENT?

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, July 20.

The Committee of the Inter-Allied Conference has appointed two sub-committees. The first is dealing with the economic integrity of Germany in the Ruhr. A meeting was held to-day and there is a good prospect of an agreement being reached by to-morrow.

The second sub-committee, dealing with the railway question, has concluded without reaching any definite conclusion. It merely reports to the plenary meeting of the Conference. This is expected to take place as soon as the first sub-committee has reported.

It is understood that the important question of obtaining Germany's consent has so far not been mentioned.

SATISFACTORY PROGRESS.

The Inter-Allied Conference, yesterday continued its remarkably satisfactory progress. The first and third committees have completed their tasks in general agreement. The second committee expects to conclude on Monday, after which a plenary sitting will be held as early as possible.

COOLIDGE PLEASED.

WASHINGTON, July 19.

President Coolidge is well satisfied with the progress of the negotiations in London. American Government circles welcome the suggestion that Mr. Owen Young should be chosen as the fiscal agent of the Reparations Commission.

SMILING DELEGATES.

LONDON, July 19.

The smiling and satisfied appearance of the delegates to the Inter-Allied Conference gives reason to believe that substantial progress lies behind the colourless and formal communiques. It is now known, thanks to the helpful suggestions of other delegates, especially the American, that the first committee has gone a long way towards reconciling the conflicting Anglo-French proposals concerning German default and sanctions. The main plank has already been adopted, and this provides the Reparations Commission with the addition of an American, who is to be the deciding authority regarding default. Such American delegates will be appointed by the unanimous vote of the Reparations Commission, or, in the event of failure to secure unanimity, shall be appointed by the International Court of Justice. It is generally believed that the remainder of the agreement is now largely only a matter of adjusting formulae. The centre of activity was this week-end removed to The Chequers, to which the principal delegates were invited, after inspecting the Wembley Exhibition to-day.

MARTIAL LAW.

PRECAUTIONS AT TEHERAN.

(Reuter's Service.)

TEHERAN, July 20.

Martial Law has been proclaimed here. Several persons, suspected of complicity in the murder of the American Consul, have been arrested.

SHAMEEN.

LATEST NEWS.

The latest report from Canton indicates that there is every prospect for the settlement of the Shameen strike this afternoon.

It is stated in authoritative circles that it has been agreed to abolish the new Shameen Regulations in their entirety, and the restriction on Chinese entering and leaving Shamen before 11 p.m.

QUESTIONS PENDING.

There now remain two questions for settlement:

- (1) With regard to the Chinese demand that no deduction be made from their salaries for the days they have been absent.
- (2) That none of the Chinese employees shall be dismissed on account of their having joined the strike.

One of the reporters at Ascot remarks that easily the best dressed man on the lawn was Sir Robert Ho Tung, the Commissioner for Hongkong at Wembley. He is a handsome, broad-shouldered Chinese silk, of blue and grey, with a wide-brimmed black cap with the mandarin's red button on top. He was very delighted with Ascot, though a London gossip writer says he doesn't think Sir Robert had much luck. "No, I didn't go to the Derby," Sir Robert said, "and I am glad. I was at Wembley all day on Derby Day, looking after our silkworms and cocoons." Sir Robert Ho Tung spends a very great deal of his time at Wembley, and so does Lady Ho Tung. Unlike her husband, she wears European dress, while her daughter, Mary, wears Chinese silks, but does her hair in the European fashion.

His many friends in Shanghai and the Far East will receive with pleasure the news of the appointment of Mr. Harry Robert Boyd to the rank of C.V.O. Mr. Boyd was engaged in business in Shanghai from 1899 to 1911, receiving the China Medal for service with the S.V.C. during the Boxer Rebellion. He was attached to the Ministry of Finance, Peking, in 1914 and received the decoration of the Order of the Excellent Crop. On returning to England he was appointed Assistant Private Secretary to the Under-Secretary of State of the Home Office (1915-1917); was Deputy Assistant Secretary in the Ministry of National Service (1917); Assistant Secretary, 1918 (C.B.E.); attached to the War Cabinet in 1919; and was Assistant Private Secretary to the Rt. Hon. E. Short, K.C., M.P., Home Secretary, 1919-22. He is now Private Secretary to Mr. Arthur Henderson, Home Secretary of the present Labour Government.

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ITEMS FROM FAR AND NEAR.

Sir James Reckitt, Bt., left free estate valued at £470,496.

Lord Coventry's Verdict won the Coronation Cup at Epsom by half a length from Mr. A. K. Macomber's Party with Major H. Cayzar's Poisoned Arrow third.

A serious development of the unofficial strike of shopmen of the London Electric Railway Company was threatened by a decision of a meeting early in June of craftsmen, many of whom are employed in the power houses on which the companies depend.

The King, who was accompanied by the Queen, presented new colours, inscribed with the battle honours of the Great War, to the 1st Battalions of the Devonshire and Bedfordshire Regiments, and to the 2nd Battalions of the East Lancashire, Border, and Dorset Regiments, at Aldershot. Owing to the rain the ceremony was performed in the Headquarters Gymnasium.

Addressing the congress of the Royal Institute of Public Health at Bordeaux, Surgeon-Commander F. G. Hitch, medical officer to the Anti-Gas School, R.N. Barracks, Chatham, suggested that precautions should be adopted to protect the civilian population from the effects of gas bombs. In time of peace people should be educated as to the facts of chemical warfare and for wartime there should be depots from which gas masks should be issued.

Earlier in the day representatives of the four craft unions visited Electric House and interviewed the chief engineer of the Underground Railways in support of their application for an increase of wages for their members which had been lodged before the unofficial demand was presented.

Failing successful issue of that conference, the Electrical Trades Union representatives said, the power house men would be called out, but it was understood that no action would be taken before the resumption of the conference. In a statement which was signed by Lord Ashfield, chairman of the Underground group, it was denied that negotiations were being conducted between the companies and the unofficial strikers. In no circumstances, it was stated, would the railway authorities meet the strikers. In a forcible statement Mr. C. T. Cramp, general secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen denounced the strike, which he characterised as "this wretched business," and said that the men were being misled.

Captain R. C. Bourne, with a poll of 10,078, has won Oxford for Unionism by a majority of 1,842 over Commander C. B. Fry (Liberal). The Labour candidate (Mr. K. Lindsay) received 2,769 votes.

By the death in London of Captain Duncan McNeill, of Colonsay, the Scots Greys have lost the last surviving officer who served with the regiment in the Crimean War. Captain McNeill was 88 years of age.

Requiring only 58 runs to win their match against Lancashire at Leeds, Yorkshire were dismissed in their second innings for 33. This is the fourth lowest score in their long history. Tyldesley took six wickets for 48 and Parkin three for 15.

Mr. Mackenzie King, Premier of Canada, informed the Dominion House of Commons that, although legally and technically Canada would be bound by the ratification of the Lusitania Treaty, the House would not be asked to approve it because the Dominion had not been represented among the signatories. To get effective co-operation within the Empire there should be full recognition of self-governing rights.

A complete triumph is claimed to have been scored by the Abkhazian Nationalist insurgents, whose rising was attributed to the corrupt administration of the old régime. The leaders of the revolutionaries, who are now trying to secure tranquillity throughout the country, express the hope of running the State on well-ordered modern lines.

Appealing to teachers to use their influence to check the exhibition of undesirable films, Miss Spender (London), at the Head Teachers' Association Conference, attributed to such films irritability, laziness, strained home relations, and any kind of crime, from pilfering to violent assault.

While there was further evidence in the return to work of 1,500 uniformed members of the staff of the London Electric Railways that the unofficial strike had "not the whole-hearted approval of the men who had, out of sympathy with the shopmen, absented themselves from work the relief which such a defection from the ranks of the strikers might be expected to give could not be fully afforded to the travelling public.

On Laffan's Plain the King reviewed a parade of 12,000 troops of all arms, with 2,000 horses, field guns, and tanks, covering a frontage of nearly a mile. With his Majesty at the saluting base were the Queen, the Duke of Connaught, the Right Hon. Stephen Walsh (Secretary for War), and the Earl of Cavan (Chief of the Imperial General Staff). In the march past the Welsh Guards were led by the Prince of Wales, as Colonel-in-Chief of the regiment. Enthusiastic cheers which were raised by a huge assembly of spectators caused the King's charger to become so restive that His Majesty abandoned his intention of riding back to the Royal Pavilion at Aldershot behind the Queen's carriage, and returned by a quicker route.

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BIRTHS.

MILTON.—On June 5, 1924, in the
Church Missionary Society's
Hospital at Yunnanfu, to Mr.
and Mrs. M. Milton, a son.ANGIER.—June 11, at New
Mosefield, Newbury, to
Hilda Few, wife of Capt. R.
A. Angier, a son.TUTTELMAN.—On July 13, 1924,
at the Victoria Nursing
Home, Shanghai, to Mr. and
Mrs. H. M. Tuttelman, a son.NOBLE.—On July 16, 1924, at
Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs.
J. A. Noble, twins (boys), one
still-born.

MARRIAGES.

STRUGNELL-LEYS.—June 7,
at Christ Church, Streatham,
Surg. Lt.-Commander Lionel
F. Strugnell, R.N., to Edith
M. Leys.BLACKER-HAMPSON.—June
9, at Kneaford, Cheshire,
George Oscar Blacker, formerly
of Singapore, to DorothyHope, younger daughter of
Mrs. S. Hampson, of Broad-
way, Withington, Manchester.

DEATHS.

WRIGHT.—In his 79th year, at
16, Claverton Street, London,
on Saturday, July 12, Alexander
Wright, formerly Head of
Messrs. Butterfield & Swire.XAVIER.—On July 13, Anne,
beloved daughter of Mons.
and Mme. F. Xavier, aged 4½
months.CANDLIN.—On July 11, 1924, at
Peitaiho, the Rev. G. T.
Candlin, United Methodist
Mission, Peking, aged 72.GREENWOOD.—On July 13,
1924, at the General Hospital,
Shanghai, Arthur T. Green-
wood.KING.—June 5, at Streatham,
Ada Elizabeth King, widow of
William Woolley King, of
Shanghai.HUXTER.—June 12, at Clacton-
on-Sea, Roland William
(Roy) older son of the late
A. W. Huxter and Mrs. Hux-
ter, aged 31.Ward.—June 18, at Bognor,
Walter Cyril Ward, late of
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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, July 21, 1924.

"MR. MAYOR"

Very happy indeed was the simile chosen by the Hon. Mr. G. G. Alabaster, speaking as Chairman of the Cheung Chau Residents' Association, when he likened the island's first settlers to Pilgrim Fathers. Pioneers these first settlers certainly were, for Cheung Chau to-day is a very desirable place in which to live. Dotted with charming homes, terraced with well-made bridle-paths and blessed with other facilities including a reliable ferry service, Cheung Chau now has its crowning glory—an Assembly Hall. Built on a hill whence radiate footways to all parts of the island, this Assembly Hall symbolises the community effort that has made Cheung Chau the most progressive community in the Colony. Nobody can visit Cheung Chau, even for the shortest space of time, without finding evidence of this community effort; but it is not everyone who knows that long before Kowloon and the Peak had their residents' associations, Cheung Chau had its own civic body. Moreover this civic body has been no mere advisory committee but an executive group more like a municipal council than any other unofficial association in the Colony. Consequently when Sir Claude Severn addressed Mr. Alabaster on Saturday afternoon as "Mr. Mayor" he was not uttering an empty pleasantries—but was simply paying courteous tribute to the Chairman's real standing in the community. That the audience laughed as much as did Mr. Alabaster himself must not be taken to mean that they disagreed with the Colonial Secretary. Cheung Chau residents, like all people who get things done, are essentially modest, and it doubtless tickled them to find other people struck by what they themselves take for granted. But anyway a community which can erect its own assembly hall free of debt can afford to laugh, not simply at itself but at the rest of the Colony, loud and long.

Famine Relief Work.
With the possible exception of India in former times, the loss of life from abnormal causes in China in each decade must be far greater than in any other portion of the world. Apart from the congestion of population in the great centres, where with characteristic indifference to sanitation and hygiene a favourable field is offered to numerous epidemics, China is particularly susceptible to recurring visitations of floods and famine. Chinese chronicles bristle with the recital of national or local disasters. In 1877-1878 famine is said to have caused the death of 8,000,000 in Honan, Shansi and Chihli. Of late years one district or another has recorded famine with attendant loss of life. More notable disasters from famine occurred as frequently in 1901, 1906, 1910, 1920 while in 1911 and 1917 floods took a heavy toll of lives. Though action on the part of the Chinese Government could do much to prevent or minimize these disasters, practically nothing has been done. It has fallen on the China International Famine Relief Commission, formed in 1920 we believe, to take the first comprehensive step towards remedial and preventive measures. In this connection the report of Mr. O. J. Todd, Engineer Representative to the C.I.F.R.C. in Peking is illuminating. Mr. Todd's report covers a journey recently completed through Shantung, thence to Shanghai and, after a day in Nanking, up the Yangtze to Hankow for field investigations in Hupeh Province. As a result of Mr. Todd's investigation, 60,000 acres of land, now subject to annual floods, are to be reclaimed near She Kow, on the Peking-Hankow Railway, at a cost of \$70,000. Close to the city of Shih Show, on the Yangtze, 200,000 acres have been under flood for six years. Formerly this was first-class rice-land, but the Yangtze has been rapidly working southward and secured away a large area of farm land. It is estimated that \$130,000 will be required to reclaim this, but the increase in the "six weeks" putting on

annual crop production should be nearly \$2,000,000 and the immediate increase in the price of real estate is put at a similar figure. Before any decision is reached on this scheme, the rate of erosion at that point of the river is to be observed at flood height in late July and August. If found feasible, the project will be put in hand next Winter. The financing of these and similar schemes are done by the Commission, which advances the necessary funds in the shape of loans (at 12 per cent.), guaranteed by the district magistrate and the provincial authorities. The scheme for repayment is for the magistrates to collect taxes from the areas reclaimed. In the cases mentioned, the districts have undertaken to contribute (either in funds or labour) half of the necessary money. Though in the strictest sense, such work may not come under the category of famine relief or prevention, it is directly connected with increasing China's food supply and indirectly is helping the Chinese to help themselves and giving them the means to acquire knowledge necessary for the prevention of famine and floods, in so far as such schemes are feasible.

Although many believe
THEN
AND
NOW
solution as never before, appears
from an account of what happened
following a Court reception in
London just 100 years ago, that
this is by no means the case.
The description referred to reads,
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tions delay will eventually fully
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a track from which the water will
soon disappear in the wettest of
weather.

Second Lady: "And what did
you do?"
First Lady: "Do? Why, looked
at him as if I had, of course."

Current Comment.
(*An Edifying Library.*)

It has seemed good to the city
of Bath to establish a public
library. No one can accuse
the city fathers of plunging into this
desperate adventure in rash haste,
comments the *Daily Telegraph* (London). They have been arguing
about it, we are told, for half a
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STARS.

The stars that still sojourn, yet
still move onward; and every-
where the blue sky belongs to
them, and is their appointed rest
and their native country and their
natural homes, which they enter
unannounced, as lords that are
certainly expected, and yet there
is a silent joy at their arrival.

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"SICILIA"	6,813	4th Oct.	Shanghai and Kobe
"MANTUA"	10,941	18th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KALYAN"	6,988	1st Nov.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
"KALYAN"	6,988	15th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
"KALYAN"	6,988	27th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
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Kidneys, -Chu Yiu	each 1.00	1.00	1.00
Liver, -Chu Kon	each 1.00	1.00	1.00
Tripe, -Chu Tsai	each 1.00	1.00	1.00
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CHEUNG CHAU.

NEW ASSEMBLY HALL OPENED.

REV. A. BAXTER'S SERMON.

The following sermon was preached by Rev. A. Baxter in the new Assembly Hall, Cheung Chau, in connection with the opening services yesterday. The text was "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength." Isa 40:31. These words familiar to us all give beautiful expression to the meaning of our presence in this new hall to-day. We are met not as an organized Church nor in the interests of any denomination; we are met simply in the exercise of an instinct, which is both native and natural to our human spirit—the instinct of worship—we are met to "wait upon the Lord."

We are met also in recognition of a need—not less vital to living than worship, and inseparable from worship, though perhaps less widely recognized—the renewal of spiritual strength. They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength.

In the last work of our Bible John the Seer gives us a striking picture of what he terms the "Holy Jerusalem," and one of the glories of that mystic city is its symmetry—the length and the breadth and the height of it are equal.

Strange architecture truly, but of profound insight, when we catch its meaning. The Holy City represents humanity glorified. Humanity when God has completed for it his perfect work, a Humanity of Length, Breadth, Height, and all are equal.

Now if I understand our modern world aright, in two of these dimensions we have gone far beyond the third.

Humanity has length. We are able to reach on and out in the line of activity and self-development; the ends of the earth mark the scope of our ambition.

Humanity has breadth. That diffusive tendency which draws us outward in sympathy with our fellow men, which moves us to share with others in activity and achievement. We are at least learning that we need one another, although we may still have a long way to go.

All this is good. In the ideal humanity there is no disengagement of the outreaching of man's thought and effort, and the achievement of a career Length is as Breadth and Height.

But the ideal Humanity has another dimension. Its height is as the length and breadth. It has a reach not only onward and outward but upward, Godward, and without this it remains flat and earthly—a world without a sky.

In saying that our Western life to-day is in danger of falling to a similar level, I have no idea of minimising the fine qualities it exhibits.

We have been brought up with no such confidence in our human nature as Chinese have. This very fact however has given us a large charity and tolerance and perhaps a tendency to be easy going to expect less the will for the deed.

To err is human and we have learnt to forgive.

But the effect of this attitude may be, and often is the same as the one I have just been describing. We are becoming humanized levelled at the expense of our divine possibilities.

Now do our achievements in the realm of thought and discovery, provide for us the Divine lift we need? They could be made to do so in part, but in the presence of easy moral standards the result is too often otherwise.

The expanding sense of what is possible to human effort is reciting in a narrowing of the field in which we realize our need of God.

And further if, as our text suggests, and as we experience bears witness to, wait upon God is the condition of spiritual strength and well being, then the loss of the sense of God will mean the general weakness of man's moral and spiritual resources and will have very wide spread results.

There are many who see evidences of these results to-day, and as I told myself, For me

The increasing variety and interests of our varied pursuits is providing us with a sequence of minor satisfactions which dull that deeper longing of the spirit of the Living God.

We are doing so much to help ourselves that we do not feel very keenly the need for God to help us. In a word since the earth has been given to the sons of men, the glorious length and breadth of it, the Creator's judgment without the recognition of it as his work "it is good."

To quote a last century sceptic "the heavens have moved far off and have become astronomical!" Now it may be argued that for this state of affairs the Church is in a great measure responsible. The change in part must be admitted.

Organized religion has at any rate too often compromised height for length and breadth, and lost this sense of God in the pursuit of wider territory.

Again it has sometimes been out of touch with the thought form of its day and has sought to keep alive, by authority—whether of Church, creed or Bible—conceptions which in their symbolism at least, instead of throwing light about the ways of God, have cast clouds and darkness about His throne.

If a thing is scientifically false, no authority can make it religiously true, and it is the business of his Church as well as of science and philosophy to "think God's thoughts after Him" as these are being increasingly revealed to us in the advancing achievements of our modern world.

Once more the church has sometimes, erred in tending to make religion a kind of specialized living, the concern of a soul as distinct from a life, a special faculty instead of the whole of life's activities.

One result of this has been a tendency to mark off human life into the sacred and the secular, with all this sad effect of that unfortunate distinction. If God is to be found and felt, only in some times and places, some moods and supremely in only some callings, it is to be wondered that much of ordinary life is being lived without Him?

This is all wrong. If there be a secular side it is not in things but only in men. Not in what man does, but how he does it. And wheresoever by the will of God we find ourselves God is there, to be found of those who diligently seek after Him. "Cleave the wood and here you find Him. Raise the stone and He is there. The Angels' keep their wonded places. Turn but a stone ye touch a wing Tis you with your estranged face, That miss the many splendours."

But having said all, there is to be said about the shortcomings of the Church or organized religion, and having acknowledged—that religion is to be neither obscurantist, nor specialized but consist essentially in the sublimation of all life to a spiritual meaning, something more remains to be indicated. We have spoken of this sense of God. The phrase however requires a closer definition. What does it mean? What does it involve?

To my mind it means essentially this—the consciousness that in our doings we are not our own but God's people. To have this sense of God in life not simply as the choice b. our own will but as the assignment of God for us, our relations to our fellow men are not simply the result of our impulsive feelings, but the concern of brother for brother within the family of God; the desire of a greater good as the prompting of the Great Spirit and every thought of holiness as God within the soul.

I do not mean that in detail of life the Divine meaning is consciously realized, but that its acknowledgement has become the native attitude of the soul.

Now obviously such an attitude to life is not a thing easily to be achieved. "It is a great Art" says Thomas A Kempis "to walk with God"—an art not an accident—an effort not an aptitude, and for this reason it requires cultivation and it requires strength. "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength." Herein lies the justification—yes the necessity of the seasons of quiet; that and meditation, of worship and fellowship, which the Church whatever its faults, has striven to maintain. And in this connector, grafting as one gladly does, that God's sanctuaries are not geographical, and that these seasons of quiet and culture are to be found in many places, yet the place of spiritual worship still remains for most people supremely "The House of God."

Some there may be who neglect and live spiritually but again and again men have confessed that the neglect of the Sanctuary has led to the neglect of all worship, and the loss of desire for spiritual things. Social worship is the great school for the realization of God. "We have thought of Thy loving kindness in the midst of Thy Temple."

It localizes the Divine for us, and in shutting out the intrusive world for a time it helps us to find a keep the living God. "What greater calamity," says Emerson,

loss of worship? Thus all things go to decay. Genius leaves the temple to haunt the senate or the market, literature becomes frivolous. Science is cold, the eye of youth is not lighted by the hope of other worlds, and age is without honour. Society lives to trifles and when men die we do not mention them." Is it toward this we tend? "Be still and know that I am God."

Finally worship is not only a place of calm and vision but a school for strength. Look back if you will on the experiences of the man who wrote my text.

"They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength."

Time was when a young man of aristocratic family Isaiah was a friend of King Uzziah in Jerusalem and life was good. The country was prosperous and Jerusalem beautiful for the situation seemed to this young man the joy of the whole earth. The King was Israhel's hero and through him the glory of Solomon's time seemed to have returned. But king Uzziah died—smitten with leprosy which to the Jews was a sign of Divine displeasure. "God smote him." This to this young man seemed to be the reversal of all he had been taught to believe.

It seemed that God had forsaken his people and left them to despair. In Jerusalem the throne was empty and in Israhel's heart hope had been dethroned.

Yet it was in the year that the prophet was born. And it was in the Temple where his new faith was won.

We can picture him there—in front of the doors leading to the inner shrine with its emblem of God—the Ark, and near it the altar of sacrifice and the brazen serpent-symbols of God's help and healing. The choir pealed forth their music and the smoke of the sacrifice ascended to Heaven. And then as Israhel meditated, the outwards symbols seemed to vanish and he found himself in the presence of God.

He had come to mourn a dead king, a lost hero, an empty throne. He saw the LORD high and lifted up "dominating all." His train filled the temple His influence everywhere.

And the end of it all we know—uplifted, purified, confident, he left the Temple to be the prophet of Holiness, a master of literature, a poet, but above all else, as one has said

a prophet "whose every sentence was like the blow of a battle axe aimed straight at its goal and hewing aside all opposition."

From—experience he wrote, the words "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength."

We are living to-day in a world of much disillusionment, of stern conflicts and of wavering hopes.

We are living in a land of lost roads, lost leaders and lost faith. May it be ours in personal life and influence to bring them something of the vision which Israhel saw and the strength he won.

To this end may the assembly hall we are opening contribute amid the greater symbolism of God which lies around us as we worship here; may we, as in the Temple of old find in this place the great laver where we may wash and be clean, the place where the lights of the Spirit burn, and the bread of life is broken to our need

and finding this in waiting upon the Lord may we renew our strength, mount up with wings as eagles, to run and not be weary to walk and not faint.

CHAUFFERS QUARREL.

CASE REMANDED.

A quarrel between two chauffeurs and an alleged attack by one on the other with a chopper was described at the Central Magistracy this morning. The complainant said that he and the defendant quarrelled on Thursday morning about a game of *ma cheuk* and in the evening defendant came up and aimed two blows at him with a chopper. He warded off one but the second cut his wrist but his watch saved him from serious injury. The case was remanded.

Washington, July 20.—Between the depredations of "high-jackers" who board rum-running craft and remove the cargoes at the pistol's point and the increased efficiency of prohibition agents, reinforced by coastguards equipped with speedy motorboats, the rum-runners' outlook is not promising.

The Department of Justice states that the Government is preparing to take vigorous steps to control the situation by the forfeiture of vessels engaged in the business and the prosecution of all persons connected therewith.

ARMY FOOTBALL.

THIS WEEK'S MATCHES.

The first round for points towards award of the "Montague-Bates Challenge Cup" (for platoons and equivalent units of the 1st Bn. East Surrey Regiment) will be continued during the week as under. Kick-off at 3.30 p.m. each day at Murray Barracks.

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SHAMEEN STRIKE.

SETTLEMENT NEARER.

STRIKERS SUBMIT TERMS.

Some Reported Already Met.

It was strongly rumoured in Hongkong this afternoon that the strikers in Shamen had submitted conditions for returning to work. Several of these had been granted and the other two were being discussed. It will thus be seen that the outlook is distinctly hopeful.

Our special correspondent, writing last evening, stated that the strike in the Shamen had already taken a turn for the better and was reported in reliable Chinese and foreign circles to be on the verge of settlement.

Later.

The "China Mail" learned definitely from the Hongkong naval authorities that negotiations are proceeding. Mr. John Arnold, of the Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., stated that the negotiations have been proceeding all day Saturday and Sunday, but had not heard whether a settlement had yet been reached.

Seen by a "China Mail" man after three o'clock this afternoon, the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, Managing Director of the firm of Holyoak, Massey & Co., Ltd., which has a branch office in Shamen confirmed the reports that negotiations have been proceeding. Mr. Holyoak added that he understood a settlement was expected to be reached very soon, but up to the present he had not received news that it had been reached.

AMMUNITION FIND.

IN CABIN OF SHIP.

OCCUPANTS NOT KNOWN.

A Chinese man and woman were given the benefit of the doubt when they appeared at the Yau-mei Court this morning in answer to a charge of being in possession of 60 rounds of ammunition on board the s.s. "Sunning."

Evidence was given of the finding by the police in a cabin of a basket containing clothes and ammunition. Defendants were stated to have told the police on board that the basket belonged to them, but at the Police Court they said that they were not the owners and the man said that he did not belong to that cabin at all. It was occupied, he said, by the woman defendant and another woman and the basket belonged to this latter woman.

Asked by the magistrate in whose name the cabin concerned was booked, Sgt. Dorling said that this had not been ascertained.

Mr. Hamilton said, he would have to adjourn the case until later in the morning for the condemned from the ship to give evidence of the ownership of the cabin but when it was found that the ship had sailed Mr. Hamilton said that the defendant would be discharged and he considered that the Police had been remiss in not finding out who actually occupied the cabin.

CANTON FLOODS.

RAISING RELIEF FUNDS.

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

The Rev. Chiu Kwan-hoi and the Rev. Chow Chuen-hing, representing the Chinese Christian Churches in Canton, are now in Hongkong raising funds for flood relief. These gentlemen, with a committee of Hongkong Chinese Christians, will solicit the leading members of the Chinese Churches in Hongkong for funds to undertake a Christian relief mission to the sufferers in the affected districts in the Canton Delta.

SUGAR TAX.

The wholesale sugar merchants in Canton are still unwilling to comply with the order of Dr. Sun Yat-sen to pay an extra war tax of 1/2 per cent and business is still suspended. The syndicate farming the tax for collection, however, has succeeded in getting new merchants to undertake the sugar business, and the feared sugar famine is not likely. Sugar in Canton at present is selling at \$28 to 22.80 a picul, according to grade.

By an order of the Canton Police July 10, the Canton newspapers are forbidden to publish any news about the intestine conflicts in Kwangtung. Violation of the order will mean punishment for the editor or suspension of the paper. Several newspapers consider the order is unreasonable, but they will nevertheless obey it.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

FORGED NOTE CASE.

ACCUSED IS ACQUITTED.

The July Criminal Sessions opened this morning and both the Chief Justice and Puisne Judge had a busy time.

Before Mr. Justice Gompertz, the acting Chief Justice, two cases were quickly dealt with, the prisoners pleading guilty.

In the first, Lam Sang was sentenced to two years' rigorous imprisonment for being in unlawful possession of arms.

In the second, Chan Man, who had a previous conviction against him, was sentenced to three years' R.I. for larceny.

In the second court, before Mr. Justice Dyer Ball (Puisne Judge) Ip Chung, who pleaded guilty to the unlawful possession of arms and ammunition, received a sentence of 5 years R.I.

In a second case, on a similar charge, Chi Yung-kai was sent to prison for 5 years with hard labour while Wing Hing-hai has to serve eighteen months.

FORGED NOTES

Before the Chief Justice Yee Ping-kui pleaded not guilty to a charge of being in possession of 4 forged 5-piastre notes of the Banque de l'Indo-Chine.

The following jury was empanelled: Capt. F. D. Wheeler (Foreman), Messrs. G. Morrison, F. Cullen, J. E. Ollerton, A. A. Bolton, O. Oliveira, W. E. Orchard.

Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, assistant Crown Solicitor, appeared for the prosecution; the accused conducted his own defence.

After Mr. Hazlerigg had outlined the case, M. Olivercourt, cashier at the Banque de l'Indo-Chine, testified to certain of the notes (produced in connection with the case) being forgeries. He called attention to the word "sah" having been printed, or "bah." The date of January 16, had been altered to 26 in each case.

Sgt. Neal stated that he boarded the s.s. "Charles Hardouin" at 8.30 p.m., on July 2. He was in a hurry at the time as the boat was due to sail at 9 p.m. He had searched the prisoner, acting on information received, and found two of the notes produced in the left-hand pocket of the man's coat. No other notes were found at the time. He arrested another man with a number of French notes, but as they were found to be genuine the man was later discharged.

As regards the accused, he appeared to hinge on the manner in which 3 notes were placed near his feet when he was being detained in room 31 Ping On Boarding House while his baggage was searched. The accused and two other men, one prisoner's master who jumped on his ball of \$2,500, were detained by two Chinese constables during the absence of Sergeant Neal. The Crown's contention was that the prisoner had dropped the notes, the prisoner held that he had no knowledge of how the notes got where they were found.

P. C. 609 gave corroborative evidence as to the search of prisoner by Sgt. Neal. He was severely cross-questioned by the accused with a view to prove that the Chinese constables had themselves searched him (the accused) during the absence of Sgt. Neal. Neither this witness, nor the police interpreter could be shaken in their evidence, however.

PRISONER'S DEFENCE.

After some delay in which the jury sought enlightenment upon certain points, the prisoner made a statement from the dock.

He stated: "One Yu Shui-heng put up the capital for a business. I had nothing to do with the cash, my master looked after that. I only assisted on looking after the goods. With regard to the three notes, they were received by Yu Shui-heng, the other two were given to Yu Shui-heng by his sweetheart to buy a watch. They were eventually handed to me as Yu Shui-heng had no experience in buying watches. The three notes are not found on me. My master Yu collected all the money. I have no more to say except that on June 2 I was entrusted with a little over \$100 to go to Canton to purchase goods."

After the Chief Justice had summed up, the Jury, after a short adjournment, returned a unanimous verdict of not guilty and the prisoner was discharged.

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OLYMPIC WINNER.

FORGED NOTE CASE.

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MISS SICILY BAUER

The American representative, shown above, created a world swimming record by winning the 100 metres contest (back-stroke) for ladies at Olympia on Saturday. The time was 1min. 23 1/5 sec.

CHEUNG CHAU NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

The gatherings in connection with the opening of the new hall are reported more fully elsewhere in this issue. We were most fortunate as regards the weather. The sun shone brightly at the opening on Saturday afternoon though rain fell later and may have deterred some from attending the concert. However, at the hour appointed, there was only a light rain falling, and at the close most folk would have got home dry.

On Sunday the Bible classes and Sunday school were held in the morning. In the afternoon the Rev. Baxter, of Canton Christian College, conducted the service and preached an inspiring sermon printed on another page of this issue. The hall was well filled and the familiar hymns were heartily sung. Just before the sermon Rev. and Mrs. Raetz sang with great expression a sacred selection.

The preacher for the following Sunday will be the Rev. P. H. Anderson, of Canton.

Several of the explorers returned from Lantau for the special meetings. The weather while they were up the mountain was good and progress is being made with the camp which will soon be in full swing.

DRAMATIC RECITALS.

MRS. LEO-WALLACE-YOUNG'S ILLNESS.

Writing to the "China Mail" Mr. Leo-Wallace-Young, the Shakespearean character actor and dramatic impersonator says: "Many people have asked why the Shakespearean recitals have terminated so suddenly. Mrs. Wallace-Young (Miss Celia Avon) after struggling bravely to get through her last two performances, was ordered off to hospital. She is suffering from acute bronchitis and general weakness which will require rest and attention to eradicate. She hopes to be well soon and "The Classics" will be ready with an entirely new programme to put before the public of Hongkong who have received them so kindly. We are very grateful for the support given us from the press and the educational fraternity and we hope the general public will show their appreciation of the great masters of comedy and tragedy—on our next appearance in their works."

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CHINA PIRATES.

YOUNG OFFICERS EAGER FOR FIGHT.

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River piracy is not abnormal in China. Rather, it is the normal state of affairs and has been from time immemorial. That is why the British Navy keeps a small fleet of river boats on the station. There are no fewer than fifteen gunboats either in commission or in reserve available for this work. Usually about a dozen are in commission. Presently, the "Bee" carries

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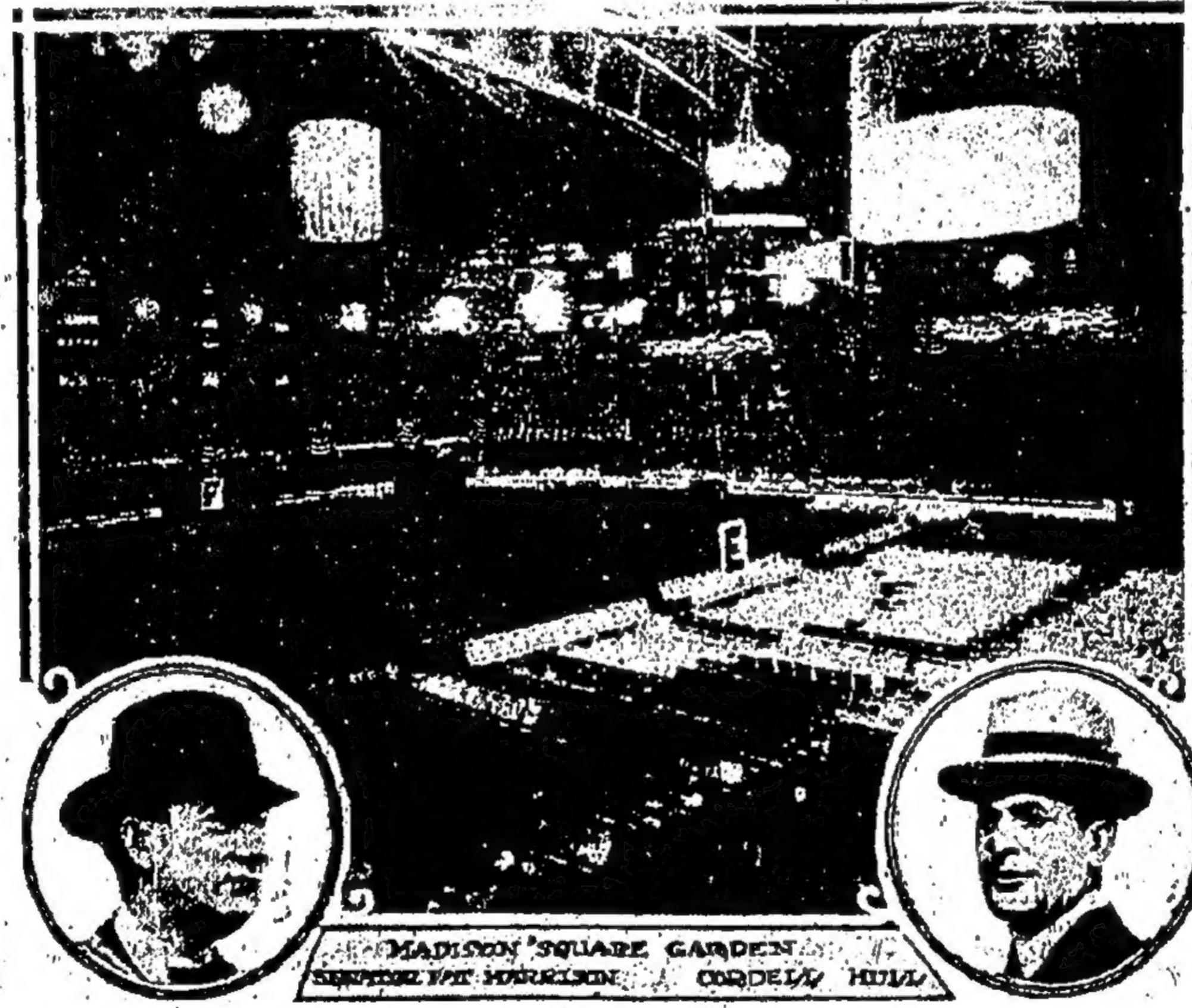


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Sir Robert Ho Tung waiting for his car after the King's Levee at St. James's Palace.

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The opening of the Democratic National Convention took place in New York on June 24. The interior view shows Madison Square Garden as it was decorated for the delegates. The insets show U.S. Senator Pat Harrison, of Mississippi, the temporary chairman who delivered the key-note address, and Cordell Hull, of Tennessee, Chairman of the Democratic National Committee, who was in charge of all convention arrangements.

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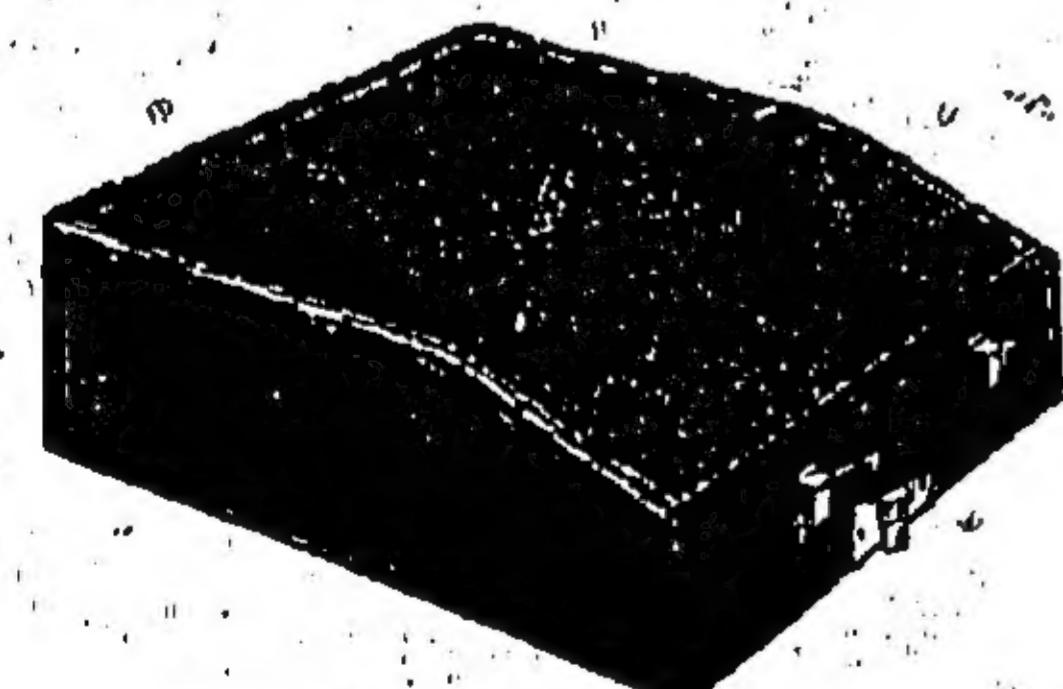
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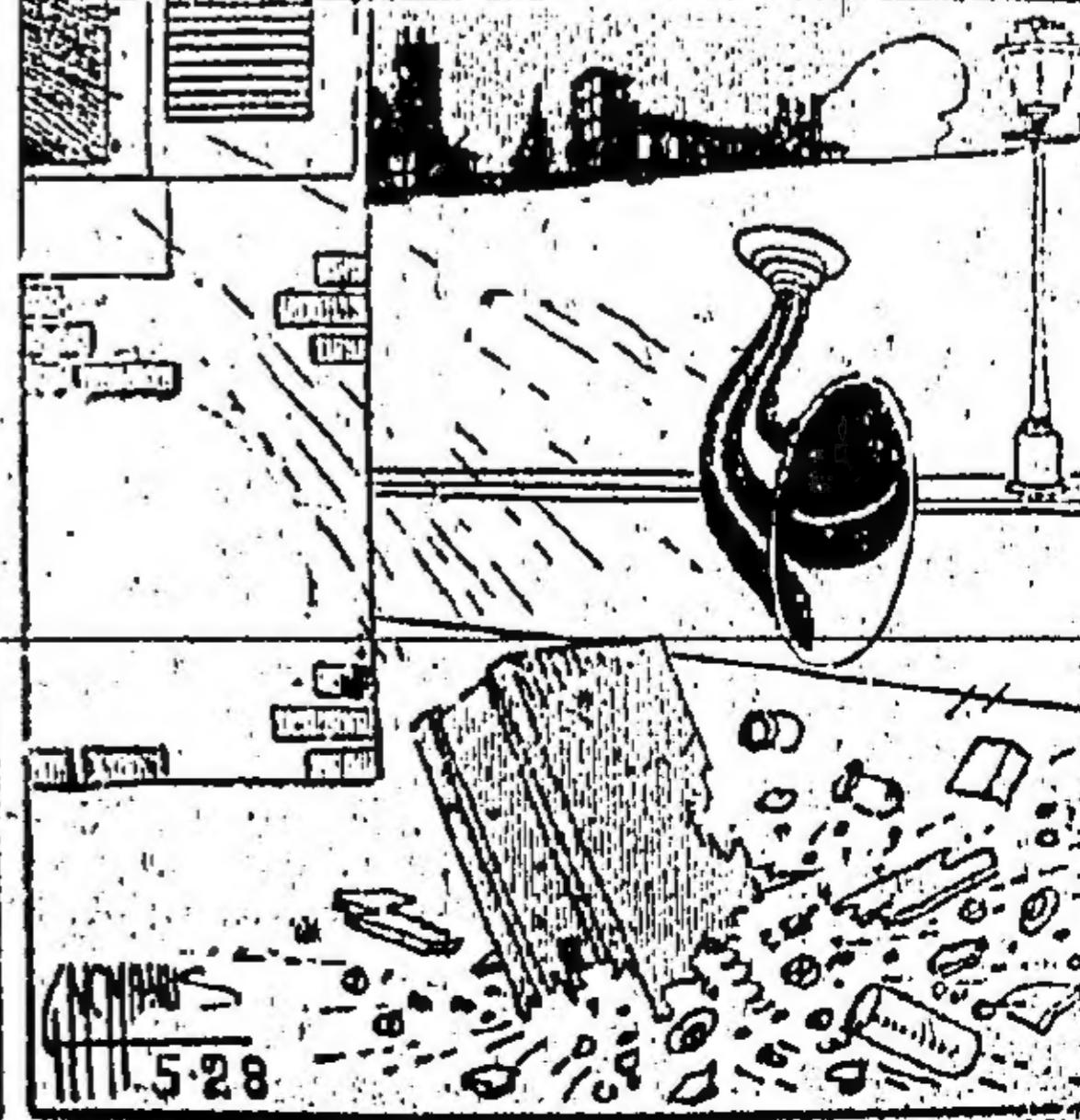


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